



United States Mint 2003 Annual Collection Available September 29

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Catalog to Include Map of Lewis and Clark's Historic Route Through Louisiana Territory

Washington — The United States Mint today announced that the 2003 United States Mint Annual Catalog, featuring the First Flight Centennial Commemorative Coins and the 2003 American Eagle Proof Platinum Coins, will be available by mail and online beginning September 29, 2003.

As a special premium for United States Mint customers, this year's catalog includes a map developed for the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commemoration. This colorful map is an excellent historical reference, highlighting the priceless natural treasures along the trail and our precious Native American heritage.

"This year's catalog displays the unequaled quality of United States Mint coins. The Platinum Proof American Eagle ranks among the most beautiful coins ever produced," said United States Mint Director Henrietta Holsman Fore. "And the First Flight Commemoratives are so detailed, you can almost hear the engine of Orville and Wilbur Wright's plane."

The 2003 American Eagle Platinum Proof new reverse design marks the first time in history that both the bald eagle and our Nation's flag have appeared together on a United States coin. The coin's patriotic reverse design features the bald eagle, perched vigilantly on a Rocky Mountain pine branch and superimposed over Old Glory — two of our Nation's most enduring symbols. The coin's obverse design features a striking rendition of Lady Liberty, with a serene gaze that evokes a spirit of freedom and hope. Her torch, valiantly held aloft, appears to light up her face and crown.

The First Flight Centennial Commemorative Coins, the only commemorative coin program for 2003, celebrates the first manned, controlled-powered flight of a heavier-than-air machine, on December 17, 1903. The program features clad, silver and gold coins, ranging in price from \$10.75 for the uncirculated clad commemorative half dollar to \$375 for the proof gold ten dollar coin. The First Flight Centennial Foundation is authorized to receive a portion of the proceeds from the sale of these limited-edition coins to aid in the restoration, refurbishment and maintenance of the Wright Monument and Visitor Center in Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina.

This year's catalog also features the popular National Wildlife Refuge System Centennial Medal Series and many other medals of the United States Mint, including those honoring President George W. Bush, President Thomas Jefferson, John Wayne, President Ronald Reagan and former First Lady Nancy Reagan, and the Navajo Code Talkers. Deluxe presentation cases also are available.

Other annual sets and special products featured in the 2003 Annual Catalog include.

United States Mint Product	Price
50 State Quarters â Proof Set Collector's Box	\$10.95
Official 50 State Quarters Collector's Map	\$12.95
Uncut Currency Sheets (from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing)	\$15.00 to \$85.00
United States Mint 50 State Quarters Proof Set™	\$13.95
2003 United States Mint Uncirculated Coin Set®	\$14.95
50 State Quarters Official First Day Coin Covers	\$19.95
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American Eagle Silver Proof Coin	\$24.00
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50 State Quarters Greetings from America Portfolio	\$29.99
2003 United States Mint Silver Proof Set™	\$31.95
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50 State Quarters and Euro Coin Collection	\$49.95
American Eagle Gold Proof Coins	\$315.00 to \$1,098.00

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